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In re patent application of:

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For: IMAGE FORMING SYSTEM INCLUDING OSCILLATING TYPE WASTE TONER
CONTAINER

PRELIMINARY REMARKS

BOX: REISSUE

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Sir:

Claims 1-12 are the original claims and were granted on October 23, 2001 in U.S. Patent No. 6,308,017, which matured from application Serial No. 09/506,371 filed on February 18, 2000. Claims 14-19 have been added and support for these additional claims can be found in the present specification.

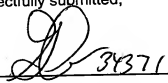
Claims 1-19 are pending in the application. An early and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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